\$1.00 Per Year in Advance

Y. M. C. A. WAR FUND

\$681.50 Subscribed at Last Sunday Night's Meeting

It was a great meeting held at the M. E. church last Sunday evening, the final one in the drive made | Brewer, Willie Landree, Mrs. W. in this county for the Y. M. C. A. war fund. E. B. Allen presided and the program as given in this paper last week was fully carried Brown, Frances Sayles, Russell out except that Mrs. Rusk was unable to be present.

Addresses were made by County Jones. Chairman C. K. Hart, Hon. Newton W. Roberts of Ottnmwa, Iowa, J. J. McHail, superintendent of the Brookfield shoe factory, and our own eloquent attorney, C. C. Bigger, while the Linn Quartet furnished the music. The addresses were eloquent and most patriotic pleas for the fund so needed in this great crisis.

During the meeting the church records were in evidence showing that John J. Pershing, as well as father and mother, brother and sisters were enrolled as members back in the sixties, and it was stated that just fifty years ago that day John Pershing was in attendance at Sunday school in the old church on the very ground where the meeting was being held. Near the close Rev. Sisson introduced a resolution extending congratulations and words of appreciation from the assembly to General Pershing, now at the head of our forces in France. It was 'unanimously adopted by a rising vote and will be incorporated in a letter to be forwarded to General Pershing by Mr. Bigger and Mr. Allen, who were designated a committee.

As a result of the meeting a fund of \$681.50 has been raised and this will be added to as many will subscribe that were not at the meeting.

Following are the contributions up to yesterday noon:

FIFTY DOLLARS E. B. Allen, H. C. Lomax.

TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS J. Paul Jones, H. C. McCoy, T. M. Elliott, J. T. Hamilton & Son, Mrs. M. E. Bigger, Mrs. M. F. Clay, Earl Foster, Lomax & Standly Bank, Benson Banking Company.

TEN DOLLARS

W. R. Barton, E. J. David, W. O. Anderson, H. Landree, Wm. Kraft, S. L. Mossberger, A. E. Ransom, Etta Forman, N. E. Fletcher, Mrs. R. C. White, H. C. Carothers, Ernest Adams, M. B. A. Lodge, Sunday School class 8, Royal Neighbor Camp, Masonic Lodge, Irene Welsh, L. F. Moore, Karl Jones.

FIVE DOLLARS

W. L. Sensintaffer, Mrs. J. H. Brown, Mrs. R. Estes, G. W. Estes, Wm. Lomax, Allie Harter, L. E. Eichman, Mrs. A. J. Caywood, Emma Gould, Cornelia Welsh, Geo. Plowman, M. E. Sunday school class 11, G. A. R. Post, F. F. Welsh Sunday school class, Mrs. Idah Moore, T. M. Hogan, J. Q. Aber, M. E. Sunday school class17 Carl Wilson, Helen McKee, Mrs. E. B. Skulley, Geo. Kranz.

FOUR DOLLARS F. G. Adams.

THREE DOLLARS

Walter Mossberger. TWO-FIFTY DOLLARS

Jay K. Stark. Two Dollars

Z. R. Kling. ONE DOLLAR

Jean Clay Jones, Mary Jane McHail, Rev. Stratton, Mrs. F. G. Adans, Jack McHail, James McHail, Nora Kuhn, Geo. Adcox, Mrs. Hoover, Sarah Maxey, Mary L. Sensintaffar, Wayne Shell, Wm. Pease, James Hamilton, William ert Glenn of Linneus. Hamilton, Lyle Savage, Jean Sensintaffar, Georgia Welsh, Ruth able to fill his speaking dates in

Local and Personal

Get your thermos bottle at the Rexall store.

Talking machines for sale by Jerome C. Brown,

Five organs for sale cheap. See Jerome C. Brown.

Operator wanted at Laclede Telephone Exchange. Apply at office at once.

Beautiful new stationery, very reasonably priced, at the Owl Phar-

Spelling blocks, toys, dolls and books for children at the Owl Pharmacy.

The Laclede schools took a Thanksgiving vacation Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peer are here from Wyoming visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Peer on route two.

J. E. Welsh, who is teaching at North Salem, came down Friday evening and spent Saturday and Sunday with his family.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will meet next Wednesday, December 5, with Mrs. Harry Landree at 2:00 o'clock. Rev. Sisson will lead.

phonograph for Christmas, see on the ground long and it always Jerome C. Brown. He guarantees has a neat appearance, just as it lowest possible price and terms to suit your convenience.

William H. Acha and Emma Frances McCullum, both of Brookfield, were married at the home of the latter in Brookfield at 6:00 last Saturday evening, November 24, by the Rev. R. L. Stratton, pastor of the Laclede Baptist church.

The Pratt Motor Car Co., of Brookfield, general agents for the Dort car, are new advertisers in THE BLADE today. The Dort is a new car in this territory and the Brookfield company desire to list some sub-agents.

If you want a piano of that beautiful quality of tone of the violin which blends in purity and equisite harmony with the human voice, and which retains its sweetness through a lifetime of happy use, then buy a Schumann of Jerome C. Brown.

Mrs. Dora Watson was over from Brookfield yesterday and called and renewed for THE BLADE and also paid for the paper to be sent to her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Edwards who has gone to Kewanee, Ill., to spend the winter with her son, Ira and family.

Christine Miller, America's leading concert contralto, writes: 'Just a word to tell you of my great pleasure in the use of the Schumann. Here is a piano rich and full in tone, of splendid sustaining power and of beautiful Mrs. S. L. Mossberger, Mrs. singing tone. Just the piano de-Chas. Parker, Mrs. J. U. Luyster, sired by all artists." The Schu-Dr. J. L. Burke, Mary Mahurin, mann is sold by Jerome C Brown.

SUBJECTS ON LOCAL

Local Items and Interesting Bits of News of All Sorts

Geo. L. Leavy, for many years a citizen of Laclede, died at his home in Los Angeles, Cal., two weeks ago. He leaves a widow, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rob-

On account of the death of his father D. Ward King will not be Forman, Lois Jones, Mary Ruth this county this meek. Therefore the land bank meeting advertised for the Plum Grove school house and at Forker for Friday, November 30, has been cancelled.

Karl Jones made a sale of Hereford cattle from "The Oaks" last Monday that was the highest priced herd of cattle ever driven through the streets of Laclede. There were 33 cows and the herd bull in the lot and brought the lump sum of \$9,000. They were shipped to a breeder in Indiana,

At a meeting of the Modern Brotherhood lodge last Saturday night \$10,00 was donated from the general fund to the local Red Cross. It was also decided to have an oyster supper at Woodman hall on Friday night of this week for the members of the lodge and their families. At the first meeting of the lodge in December officers for the ensuing year are to be elected.

No town or community has a more beautiful or better kept publie park than Laclede. J. W. Reed, the faithful caretaker, has just finished raking and burning all leaves and other rubbish and it is now as clean and neat as can be and will be kept that way all winter. No fallen limbs If you want an Al piano or or other trash is allowed to remain should be. It certainly reflects the civic pride of our people.

The S. R. O. sign was out early at the picture show Saturday night on the occasion of the fourth installment of "Gloria's Romance." This is one of the most fascinating serials ever shown here and every seat was occupied before the welcome sign was thrown upon the screen. There will be another four reels of the serial and a comedy next Saturday night. Manager Myers is giving his patrons a high class entertainment for the smallest price of admission, 11 cents for adults and 6 cents for children.

BENSON BANKING COMPANY

No. 1590.

Official statement of the financial condition of the Benson Banking Company at Laclede, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 20th day of Nov. 1917, published in the Laclede Blade, a newspaper printed and published at Laclede, State of Missouri, on the 30th day of Nov. 1917.

RESOURCES RESOURCES
Loans and discounts undoubtedly good on personal or collateral

	Loans, real estate Overdrafts	16,887.50 80.86 6,100.00
	Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check. Cash items. Currency. Specie.	21,334,07 1,318,62 1,420,00 1,526,96
	Total	\$88,732.83
100 CO.	Capital stockpaid in	7,000.00 650.98

Total State of Missouri, County of Linn, ss We. E. E. Benson as president, and We. E. E. Benson as president, and E. E. Benson acting as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is E. E. HENSON, President.

E. E. BENSON, President.

E. E. BENSON, Acting Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25th day of Nov. A. D. nipeteen hundred and

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the dyle last aforesaid. (Commissioned and quali Gal for a term expiring Oct. 23, 1919.)

[SEAL]

O. F. LIBBY, Notary Public,
S. T. B. HOWARD,
I. L. BENSON,
E. C. BENSON,

Drug Store Change

W. R. Barton is again identified with the business interests of Laclede, having bought the drug stock of J. D. Boyles and took charge Monday morning. Barton has been in business here ever since he entered the drug business in Laclede back in the eighties, except the three years recently spent in Brookfield, and the people of the town are glad to have him again a part of the community. Mr. Boyles is yet undecided as to the future but the many friends of the family hope they may remain with us.

Welsh's Shorthorn Sale

While the weather was not very favorable the Shorthorn and general sale of J. L. Welsh was well attended last Monday and everything sold at good prices. The clover hay sold at \$25 per ton. clover seed at \$20 the bushel, the horses and grade cattle brough good prices while the 28 head of purebred Shorthorns brought upwards of \$5,000.00 the herd bull bringing \$500.00. The result of this sale demonstrates the fact that it pays to keep purebred stock and then when a sale is made advertise it thoroughly.

Odd Fellows Meeting

The first meeting of the newly organized county Odd Fellows Association held here Tuesday was a success in every particular. The business meeting in the afternoon was well attended by members from all but two lodges of the county. The next meeting will be held at Meadville in February. The public meeting in the opera house that evening was largely attended. The address of Mrs. Hughes, R. S. Kathan, Judge Lockhart and Rev. J. D. Mendenhall were all good, gems of oratory and inspiration for the better wite in Hannibal. things of life. The local Odd Fellows are to be congratulated in the completeness of their arrangements and for bringing this splendid gathering to the town. Every community needs just such meeting as was held at the opera house

For Modern Homes

Delco electric light and water accessories can be had of Z. R. Kling who has the agency for Linn and Chariton counties. Those interested can see a plant in operation at his home 21/2 miles south of Laclede.

Have you seen the beautiful trays, smoking sets, etc., at the Owl Pharmacy?

LOMAX @ STANDLY BANK

No. 1857.

Official statement of the financial condition of the Lomax & Standly Bank, at Laclede, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 20th day of Nov. 1917, published in the Laclede Blade, a newspaper printed and published at Laclede, State of Missouri, on the 30th day of Nov. 1917.

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	Loans and discounts, undoubtedly	Ben 1
2	good on personal or collateral	
¥.	Loans, real estate	
	Overdrafts	130.8
ý	Bonds and stocks	21,900,0
1	Real estate (banking house)	1,500.0
7.1	Due from other banks and bankers.	
	subject to check	71,028.1
ì	Cash items	
ì	Currency	
•	Specie	211217
SI	Specie	
ч	Gold coin	
Щ	Total	210,159.5
у	LIABILITIES.	
6	Capital stock paid in	15,000.0
£.	Surplus fund	5,000.0
Н	Undivided profits, net	
Я		
1	Individual deposits subject to check.	188,004,0
i	Total	R210,159.5
П	Case of Missouel County of Line as-	

We. H. C. Lomax as president, and H. V. Lomax as cashier of said bank, each of a lo solemnly swear that the above statemen is true to the best of our knowledge and belie H. C. LOMAX. President, H. W. LOMAX. Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 27t day of Nov. A. D. nineteen hundred an

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the late last aforesaid. (Commissioned and quali

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

J. A. Crowder was down from Milan on business Tuesday.

The Rexall store is full of new goods. Be sure to see them.

Ten piano boxes for sale at \$2.00 to \$3.00. See Jerome C. Brown.

Miss Esther Rowland was a week end guest of Miss Flo Hunter at Browning.

Mrs. W. L. Blakeley and two children are visiting relatives in Saline county.

Miss Harriet Robbins of Mead ville was a guest of Miss Kathryn Harter last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Weaver spent Sunday and Monday with friends in Kansas City.

Rev. T. E. Sisson is spending Thanksgiving with his aged parents at Baldwin, Kans.

Mrs. Etta Forman and daughter, Miss Ruth, left Wednesday for a visit at Liberty and Cameron.

Mrs. H. E. Garside and daughter, Ethel visited relatives at Brunswick last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. M. J. Murdock of Milan is spending this week with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Moberly and fam-

P. L. Gilmore and wife of Purdin were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Rowland on route

Jerry Fruin and Lee Landree attended the Missouri-Kansas football game at Columbia Thanksgiv-

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bigger are spending Thanksgiving with their son, Attorney B. E. Bigger and

Miss Edna Peacher went to Cameron Monday to visit over Thanksgiving with her uncle, Walter West and family.

J. B. Jones was down from Chillicothe Tuesday in attendance at the meeting of the county Odd Fellows association.

Miss Ethelyn Mossberger is systems, and all kinds of electric home from the Chillicothe Business College to spend Thanksgiving with her parents.

> J. E. West left Monday for a trip through Oklahoma, and among others will visit his brother Frank and family at Agra.

> Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bissett of Moulton, Iowa, are making a short visit among their many Laclede friends, guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Childress.

> Raymond Garside, Thos. Wade, Harry Peacher and Arthur Glover attended the Wesleyan-Wm. Jewell football game at Cameron Thanksgiving.

> Mrs. Anna Botsford of Edinburg, North Dakcta, and Mrs. Alice West of Cushing, Okla, are visiting their brother, J. R. Ridings and family on route two.

> The superiority of the construction of the Schumann piano is acknowledged and will last a lifetime. See Jerome C. Brown and place your order for one of the famous Schumann's for Christmas.

Mrs. J. Q. Aber, Mrs. Allie Harter, Mrs. P. F. Weaver, Mrs. A. J. Caywood and Mrs. Roy Rowland were guests of Mrs. W. M. Brott at a 12 o'clock dinner given at BIGGER Notary Public. at a 12 o clock dinner given at M. LOMAX WALTER BROWNLER, her home in Brookfield last Fri-Directors, day.